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## EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Title, cancel the title and insert the following title --PROCESSING ANIMAL TISSUES BY DECELLULARIZING, INCREASING SURFACE AREA
AND ACYLATING ---.

Applicants' representative, Daniel W. Sullivan, authorized the following amendments by telephone on 10/30/03.

Abstract (page 27),

line 4 of the page, cancel "Described herein are", change "methods" to --- Methods ---, and before "for" insert --- are provided ---;

line 6 of the page, after the period insert --- Preferably, decellularized tissue is exposed to an amount of the acylating agent of about 0.1% to about 0.3% of wet tissue weight for a time ranging from about 30 seconds to about 10 minutes. ---;

line 7 of the page, cancel "The disclosed methods result in", and change "a" to --- A ---, and after "matrix" insert --- is produced ---;

line 11 of the page, after the period insert --- The dispersed acylated decellularized tissue may be in the form of an injectable composition that can be introduced into tissue of a subject. ---.